

## **HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES**

### **June 7, 2001**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05am in the New Hampshire room of the Library. Present were: Robert Southworth, Jane Palmer, Barbara Hobby, Jenifer Landman, Jane Meneghin, Howard Smith and Pam Schowtzer.

Jane Palmer mentioned the need to get a receipted copy for material sent to the Town Office.

Jane also asked if Richard Curl and Susannah Clark had yet received the stipend voted by the Heritage Commission, along with an additional sum from the Historical Society. Barbara Hobby will call Ruth Griffin to ask if \$697.55 can be sent from our account held by the Historical Society (the \$797.55 remaining in our account less \$100 to keep as a balance.)

The minutes were accepted as written.

The agenda was checked and approved.

Walnut Ave. cell phone tower: Howard checked the location with Bob Southworth and found nothing obviously historic or of concern to us. Bob will notify Laura Simmons of the Planning Board of this and copy Stonehill Engineering and other concerned parties.

Preservation Alliance Award: The walking tour brochure received Honorable Mention for "excellence in planning". Bob will send a copy of the letter to Little Boar's Head Heritage Commission and we will get a copy to Historical Society. Howard will try to get a media release from the Preservation Alliance for us to use. Jane Palmer will send it to the papers.

Jenifer left to lead 4<sup>th</sup> graders on a tour of Little River cemetery.

Historic Home project: The Building Inspector has asked for historic homes to be listed on the North Hampton map. Jane Palmer is working on this, but needs more info re current owners.

Bob reported 59 houses were nominated for the project. He felt many were overlooked (see report), and that perhaps we need clearer criteria. A motion was made and passed to send a letter to Lisa Mausolf to ask what she would charge to speak with us on this subject. Bob will send it under Howard's signature.

A discussion followed about creating a database of historic property in town, homes and sites. Jane Meneghin will try to get a house inventory from Russ McAllister to help with this.

Other: Bob inquired if everyone was familiar with RSA 674:44, establishing Heritage Commissions, and handed out a copy.

He also brought up several items to consider for the next printing of the walking tour brochure: corrections, numbering of pages, a list of Commission members, improve or

change the photo of the Town Hall on the cover, include a steam engine photo to represent the railroad in our history, make donor's logos larger. We all agreed that these should be remembered for future printings.

Jane Palmer shared the Capital Improvements Plan information and gave a copy to Howard.

Priscilla Leavitt was unable to attend the meeting but sent along a letter informing us that the Historical Society will send \$200 to Susannah and Richard, and just need the address. They also asked about the cost of the brochure and we repeated our policy to accept donations, but to distribute the brochure as widely as possible, even if no charge is made. Barbara will get this information back to Historical Society.

Respectfully submitted, Pamela Schwotzer, Secretary